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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION:
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Pakistan*: draft resolution

Food and agricultural development

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the World Food Council on its eighteenth session, held in Nairobi from 23 to 26 June 1992, 1/

Reaffirming the role of the World Food Council in the fight against hunger,

Expressing concern over the ever-increasing number of hungry people,

Recognizing the need for the role and functioning of the World Food Council to be reviewed,

1. Endorses the recommendations of the World Food Council at its eighteenth ministerial session:

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77.

1/ WFC/1992/10.

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2. Welcomes the ministerial decision of the World Food Council to set up an ad hoc committee to develop specific proposals for the reform of the Council. 2/

2/ Ibid., part one.

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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION:
PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF ACQUIRED IMMUNE
DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)

Austria: draft decision

Prevention and control of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS)

The Economic and Social Council:

(a) Endorses the recommendations of the Management Committee of the Global Programme on AIDS concerning coordination of human immunodeficiency virus/AIDS activities at both the global and the country level and encourages all organizations of the United Nations system to collaborate in carrying out those recommendations;

(b) Takes note of the report of the Director-General of the World Health Organization on the implementation of the global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS; 1/

(c) Endorses the updated global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS. 2/

1/ A/47/289-E/1992/68, annex.

2/ World Health Assembly document A45/29.

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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Selim Yenel (Turkey), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1992/C.1/L.5

Geneva Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1991/64 of 26 July 1991 on the Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women,

Recognizing the critical role of rural women as food producers and architects of household food security,

Noting with deep concern the continuing rise in the number of rural women living in poverty,

Reiterating its commitment to contribute to the improvement of the living conditions of rural women,

Welcoming the organization of the Summit on the Economic Advancement of Rural Women, held in Geneva on 25 and 26 February 1992, with the participation of a large number of First Ladies and other high-level delegations,

Expressing its appreciation to the patron of the Summit, to the core group of First Ladies who launched the initiative to convene the Summit, and to the International Fund for Agricultural Development and other institutions that provided support for the Summit,

1. Welcomes the adoption by the Summit of the Geneva Declaration for Rural Women; 1/

2. Urges all States to work for the achievement of the goals endorsed in the Geneva Declaration;

3. Urges all relevant organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system to take into account the goals of the Geneva Declaration in carrying out their programmes, and invites the relevant governing bodies to consider specific measures, within their competence, to address the special needs of rural women in the light of the Geneva Declaration.

1/ A/47/308-E/1992/97, annex.

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REGIONAL COOPERATION

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Selim Yenel (Turkey), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1992/C.1/L.6

Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1991/74 of 26 July 1991 and other relevant resolutions concerning the Europe-Africa permanent link through the Strait of Gibraltar and the activities that the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe were requested to carry out regarding the preparation of an evaluation report on the studies relating to the project in the period 1982-1993 for submission to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1993,

Conscious of the contribution of the project to transport development and to physical integration at the regional and interregional levels,

Noting that Council resolution 1991/74 does not impose any financial burden on the budgets of the two Commissions concerned, since the Governments of Morocco and Spain are making available most of the financial resources needed to perform the activities mandated in the resolution,

Bearing in mind the necessary involvement of the experts from the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe in coordinating the evaluation process requested in the resolution,

Recalling that in resolution 1991/74 the Council called upon the Secretary-General to allocate as far as possible sufficient resources to the two Commissions, within existing priorities, for the preparation of the above-mentioned evaluation report,

Noting that the Secretary-General has not been able to allocate the necessary resources from within existing appropriations,

Requests the Secretary-General, taking account of relevant priorities, to provide the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe, within existing resources for the relevant sections of the programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993, with the necessary budgetary resources to enable them to prepare effectively and efficiently the evaluation report requested by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1991/74.

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REGIONAL COOPERATION

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Selim Yenel (Turkey), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1992/C.1/L.3

Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa (1991-2000)

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 44/237 of 22 December 1989, in which the Assembly proclaimed the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa for the years 1991-2000, and its decision 46/458 of 20 December 1991 on the programme for the Second Decade,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 46/151 of 18 December 1991, in which the Assembly adopted the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, which identifies the Second Decade as a major programme for African regional economic integration,

Further recalling its resolution 1991/81 of 26 July 1991 on the Second Decade,

Stressing the need to integrate the programme for the Second Decade into the overall framework of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, in particular, the commitment of African countries and the international community to promote domestic and foreign direct investment in Africa, as reflected in the relevant paragraphs of the new Agenda,

Further recalling the relevant provisions of Agenda 21, adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, held at Rio de Janeiro from 3 to 14 June 1992, 1/

Considering resolution GC.4/8 of 22 November 1991 of the fourth General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, in which the General Conference adopted the programme for the Second Decade as one of the top priority programmes of that organization and recommended its adoption by the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, through the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1992,

Considering also resolution 739 (XXVII) of 24 April 1992 of the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa, in which the Conference adopted the programme for the Second Decade, and decision 1 (XXVII) of 24 April 1992, in which the Conference of Ministers recommended the adoption of the programme by the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, through the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1992, and the provision to the Economic Commission for Africa of adequate resources to enable it to support the African countries and subregional organizations for the implementation of their programmes for the Second Decade,

Cognizant of the appeal to the General Assembly to adopt at its forty-seventh session the programme for the Second Decade, made by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity in resolution AHG/CM/Res.1399 (LVI) of 1 July 1992, in which the Assembly also endorsed the programme,

1. Endorses the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa, including the national, subregional and regional components; 2/

2. Recommends that the General Assembly adopt the programme for the Second Decade at its forty-seventh session;

3. Recommends that the General Assembly adjust the period for the programme for the Second Decade, set in its resolution 44/237, to cover the years 1993-2002;

4. Takes note of efforts already undertaken in Africa to establish an enabling environment to attract domestic and foreign investment, calls for further efforts in this regard and urges the international community to take the necesssary steps to encourage direct foreign investment and support the policy changes undertaken in African countries;

1/ A/CONF.151/26, to be issued.

2/ E/1992/14/Add.1 (Parts I and II).

5. Recommends that the General Assembly urge the African countries, financial institutions and United Nations specialized agencies to adopt an integrated approach to the implementation of the programme for the Second Decade, taking full account of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s; 3/

6. Recommends also that the General Assembly urge the Director-General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa, the institutions and agencies of the United Nations system, and the African States and subregional and regional organizations to integrate the relevant provisions of Agenda 21, adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, in the implementation of the Second Decade;

7. Appeals to the international community, particularly bilateral and multilateral funding institutions, to increase significantly their contributions to the industrial sector in African countries so as to ensure successful and sustained implementation of the programme for the Second Decade;

8. Urges international financial institutions, in particular the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the African Development Bank, to ensure full support for the programme for the Second Decade and effective implementation of that programme at the national and subregional levels;

9. Reiterates its recommendations that the General Assembly provide the Economic Commission for Africa with adequate resources to enable it to assist African countries and organizations effectively in the implementation of the programme for the Second Industrial Development Decade for Africa.

3/ General Assembly resolution 46/151, annex, sect. II.

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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION: DEVELOPMENT OF THE ENERGY RESOURCES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Selim Yenel (Turkey), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1992/C.1/L.1

Development of the energy resources of developing countries

The Economic and Social Council,

Reaffirming the critical importance of the development of energy resources of developing countries and the need for measures by the international community to assist and support the efforts of developing countries, in particular the energy-deficient among them, to develop their energy resources in order to meet their needs through cooperation, assistance and investment in the field of conventional and of new and renewable sources of energy, consistent with their national policies, plans and priorities,

Reaffirming also that the developing countries have the primary responsibility for the strategies and policies for exploration and development of their energy resources,

Recognizing the importance of sustainable development,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on energy exploration and development trends in developing countries; 1/

1/ A/47/202-E/1992/51.

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2. Reaffirms that an adequate flow of external resources in support of the national efforts of developing countries, in particular the energy-deficient among them, is needed to finance, within the legislative framework of each country, the exploration and development of their energy resources;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to keep the matter under constant review and to submit to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1994 a report on the efforts made in this regard;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1994 on the role of the United Nations in devising ways and means of mobilizing the international community to increase efforts for comprehensive national, bilateral and multilateral measures to accelerate the exploration and development of energy resources in developing countries, with full respect for their national sovereignty;

5. Further requests the Secretary-General to draw this matter to the attention of the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and Energy for Development at its first substantive session.

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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION:
FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Selim Yenel (Turkey), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1992/C.1/L.13

Food and agricultural development

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the report of the World Food Council on its eighteenth session, held in Nairobi from 23 to 26 June 1992, 1/

Noting the role of the World Food Council in the fight against hunger,

Expressing concern over the ever-increasing number of people suffering from hunger and situations of famine,

Recognizing the need for the role, functioning and mandate of the World Food Council to be reviewed,

1. Endorses the recommendations of the World Food Council at its eighteenth ministerial session;

1/ WFC/1992/10.

2. Welcomes the decision of the World Food Council to set up an ad hoc committee to make specific proposals respecting the World Food Council's mandate, functions and options for its future role, for consideration of the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session. 2/

2/ Ibid., part one.

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REGIONAL COOPERATION

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Selim Yenel (Turkey), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1992/C.1/L.2

Strengthening the role of the regional commissions

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 45/264 of 13 May 1991 and 46/235 of 13 April 1992 on the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields and recalling also General Assembly resolution 46/145 of 17 December 1991 on regional economic integration among developing countries and other relevant General Assembly resolutions,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation, including his views on the role of the regional commissions within an integrated approach of the United Nations system, 1/

Bearing in mind that regional economic integration is important in expanding trade and investment, particularly in developing countries, and that regional economic integration has the potential to strengthen global economic and social development,

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1/ E/1992/65.

1. Urges the regional commissions to take steps to enable them fully to play their role in assisting their member States, in particular developing countries, to promote accelerated and sustainable development through an integrated approach;

2. Recommends that, when preparing regional technical cooperation programmes, all relevant bodies of the United Nations development system coordinate their work with the regional commissions with the aim of achieving a better and more focused use of available resources, greater coherence of action and, therefore, greater and more concentrated impact;

3. Also recommends that the regional commissions participate fully in the programme budget process at United Nations Headquarters;

4. Urges that priority setting for programming should take fully into account the views of the membership;

5. Also urges the regional commissions, at the request of Member States, together with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, in accordance with the Cartagena commitment, 2/ to contribute to the identification, preparation and implementation of specific projects to facilitate economic integration and to submit them to bilateral donors, regional economic integration organizations, regional development banks and financial institutions for their consideration;

6. Requests each regional commission, to study the possibility of assisting Member States, as appropriate, to participate fully and effectively at the sessions of the regional commissions;

7. Stresses the role and important contribution of the regional commissions, within their mandates, in the follow-up and implementation of the decisions adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, in particular those contained in Agenda 21;

8. Stresses further the importance of the regional commissions being part of the continued process in the economic and social fields, bearing in mind General Assembly resolutions 45/264 and 46/235;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Council at its substantive session of 1993 on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution.

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DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION: PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)

Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Salim Yenel (Turkey), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution E/1992/C.1/L.14

Prevention and control of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS)

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note with appreciation of the report of the Director-General of the World Health Organization on the implementation of the global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS, 1/

1. Endorses the updated global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS as the global policy framework; 2/

2. Endorses also the recommendations of the Management Committee of the World Health Organization Global Programme on AIDS concerning coordination of human immunodeficiency virus/AIDS activities at both the global and the country level and requests all relevant organizations of the United Nations system to collaborate in carrying out those recommendations;

1/ A/47/289-E/1992/68, annex.

2/ World Health Assembly document A/45/29.

3. Requests the relevant agencies of the United Nations system, in elaborating improved country level coordination mechanisms to take into account the important role the resident coordinator should play in such mechanisms to ensure effective implementation of the revised Global Strategy;

4. Also requests the Secretary-General, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 45/264, to invite the Director-General of the World Health Organization, acting in close collaboration with other appropriate bodies, organs and programmes of the United Nations system, to report through the Secretary-General to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1993 on further developments concerning coordination of HIV/AIDS activities at global and country levels.